

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1468  
USIA WASHDC

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ABLD, AFSP, ASEC  
SUBJ: EMBASSY ANNEX

REF ATHENS 12963 OF DECEMBER 7, 1976

1. FOUR BIDS WERE SOLICITED AND RECEIVED FOR THE EMBASSY  
ANNEX ALTERATIONS AND REMODELING. BASED ON DRS. 36.90 -  
US \$1.00, THEY ARE:

- A) \$264,228 (LOW BID FROM RELIABLE CONTRACTOR)
- B) \$276,423
- C) \$287,940
- D) \$300,813

2. THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN OUR BALL PARK ESTIMATE OF \$110,000,  
SUBMITTED IN REFTEL, IS ATTRIBUTED TO ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS  
OVER THE PAST 7 MONTHS COSTING \$138,001 AND A 25 PERCENT INCREASE IN  
BUILDING MATERIALS AND WAGES IN BOTH OF THE LAST 2 QUARTERS.  
THE INCREASED MATERIALS AND WAGE COSTS AMOUNTS TO A 50 PERCENT  
INCREASE IN OUR ORIGINAL ESTIMATE OF \$110,000 BRINGING  
IT TO \$165,000. ADD \$138,001 IN ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS BY  
USIA (MS. KARRAS AND MR. HETHERINGTON), FBO, RSO, SY, AND  
THE EMBASSY, AND THE TOTAL IS \$303,000, WHICH IS VERY CLOSE  
TO THE HIGH BID.

3. FYI: THE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS SINCE DECEMBER 7, 1976 AT  
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THE NEW HIGHER CONSTRUCTION RATES ARE:

- A) BY USIA AND RSO: EXPANDED USE OF SECURITY GRILLS  
TO COVER 2 MORE FLOORS AND THE USE DECORATIVE GRILLING \$17,174
- B) BY USIA AND RSO: ADDITION OF 2ND FLOOR RECEPTION AND SECURITY  
CHECK POST \$5,435
- C) BY USIA AND FBO: NEW DOUBLE DOOR ON 2ND FLOOR \$1,359
- D) BY EMBASSY: CONSTRUCTION OF UNDERGROUND TUNNEL FOR WATER

PIPES FOR CHILLER UNIT AND WIRING \$13,587  
E) BY EMBASSY: ELECTRICAL SUPPLY TO CHILLER UNIT FROM EMBASSY  
MAIN ELECTRICAL SWITCHBOARD TO CHILLER UNIT \$5,435  
F) BY EMBASSY (TELECOMMUNICATIONS): AMENDED CABLE REQUIREMENTS  
FROM 40 TO 200 CABLES (80 PERCENT INCREASE) \$5,435  
G) BY EMBASSY AND USIA: REMODELING/REPAIR EXISTING,  
LIGHTING FIXTURES (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE NEW ADDITIONAL FIXTURE  
BEING PURCHASED IN U.S. BY USIA) \$8,152  
H) BY EMBASSY AND USIA: FLOOR RECONDITIONING (COST OF CARPETING  
IS NOT INCLUDED) \$5,435  
I) BY FBO: 2 HOUR FIRE RESISTANT DOORS \$5,435  
J) BY USIA: ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR MORE PARTITIONS  
AND USE OF MORE EXPENSIVE MATERIALS \$20380  
K) BY USIA: ADDITIONAL DEMOLISHING/REMOVAL \$2,717  
L) BY USIA: NEW BATHROOM INSTALLATIONS, REMODELING AND  
HEAT SUPPLY TO NEWLY CREATED ROOMS \$5,435  
M) BY USIA: NEW SPECIALLY DESIGNED CABINETS TO ACCOMMODATE  
USIS EQUIPMENT \$4,076  
N) BY USIA: FACING TO CONCEAL AIR DUCTS \$5,435  
O) BY USIS: EXTRA COST INSTALL AIR HANDLERS \$4,076  
P) BY USIS: REWIRING OF 2 FLOORS \$5,435  
Q) CONTRACTS FEE OF 20 PERCENT \$23,000

TOTAL \$138,001

4. OF THE \$110,000 ORIGINALLY ALLOTTED, ORDERS FOR \$41,100  
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HAVE BEEN PLACED BY USIA/W FOR AN AIR CONDITIONING UNIT,  
PARTS AND ACCESSORIES, LEAVING A BALANCE OF \$68,900 TO  
APPLY TO THE LOW BID OF \$264,228. REQUEST ADDITIONAL  
\$195,328 BE OBLIGATED SOONEST SO WORK CAN BE CONTRACTED  
BEFORE THE SPIRALING MATERIAL AND WAGE INCREASE CYCLE  
STRIKES AGAIN AND TO PROVIDE A SPORTING CHANCE TO MEET THE  
REQUESTED DEADLINE OF NOVEMBER 30TH, 1977.  
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